

## MASSACHUSETTS.

Members of the Committee on Work presented their report to the Grand Lodge at a public meeting of the Masons now in attendance before the committee on work, held in the commodious room of the Masonic temple yesterday afternoon, 1. W. Harris was chairman and J. B. Wright, secretary.

The meeting was for the purpose of presenting the work of the committee on work, W. W. Hamilton, C. P. Boon and A. W. Campbell, the other two members of the committee, presented their reports. The committee had been previously remembered in a like manner.

The cases were presented by George L. Harris, Jr., in the names of the members who had been remembered by the committee, and the presentation speech was very appropriate.

The very cold weather of yesterday had no effect on the ardor of delegates before the committee on work. At noon call every member was present and all were anxious to go to work.

Grand Master Sam R. Hamilton will remain in Houston several days to attend to work matters as require his immediate attention, such as signing the new charters, issuing commissions to the newly appointed district deputy grand masters, and granting dispensation for setting new lodges to work. He attended the opening session of the committee on work, and by invitation, addressed those in attendance. In his remarks he called the attention of the brethren to the fact that, although it was necessary and important that they should be well qualified to do the work, yet they must not lose sight of the great duties which are so beautifully taught in these various lectures. His talk made a good impression.

The delegates to the Grand Lodge still in the city have arranged for an excursion to Galveston today. Yesterday morning the grand master was notified by telephone by J. J. Davis of Harmony lodge that the two lodges of Galveston had prepared to entertain them, that they would meet them at the train, and that an oyster roast at Woodman's lake was on the programme for 11:00 o'clock. They are anxious that every Mason should come down. If there is any one thing above another that Galveston Masons are famous for it is their hospitality.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Fannie Aaron leaves this morning for Navasota, visiting friends.

Mrs. L. Goldman of Navasota, who has been visiting here, returned this morning.

D. S. Cagle, a leading merchant of Velasco, visited the Flower Festival yesterday.

Mrs. Annie Moss of Brownwood, Texas, is the guest of Mrs. F. E. Carter, 1709 Clay avenue.

Mrs. C. H. Poncey is in New Orleans, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wiggins.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Taylor are at home to their friends, No. 406 Velasco, corner Preston avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Ewing are entertaining the former's mother, Mrs. F. C. Ewing, of Seawater, Texas.

Mr. T. G. B. Willard of Giddings, Texas, was in the city taking in the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival.

Mr. Coby Hall, a student of Add-Ran university of Waco, was down taking in the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival.

Mrs. Ida Paul of Flatonia, Texas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. A. Sullivan, at No. 1611 Montgomery street.

Miss Brownson of Victoria is the guest of Miss Annie McKeever. She will remain during the coming week.

Miss Mattie Jo McFarlane of Richmond, who has been visiting friends during the week's festivities, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Ed McCaskey of Beaumont is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. A. D. Polmanakos, corner Hamilton and Clay streets.

Howard W. Peak of Fort Worth, president of the Texas Travelers' Protective association, returned to his home in Fort Worth yesterday.

Miss Carrie Forbes of Martin returned home yesterday after a pleasant week's visit with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Niday, 909 Crawford street.

Mrs. J. W. Westbrook and daughter, Templeman, of Sherman, Texas, is the guest of her sister, Miss Margaret Nolan, 508 Grand street.

Miss Pearl Garvin of Navasota has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hardesty, 1906 Bushy street, during the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival.

Hon. W. H. Pope, formerly State senator from the Marshall district, now a leading lawyer of Beaumont, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

Mr. A. Serrou, a prominent citizen of La Porte, Texas, has been in the city for the past week attending court, and left for his home last night.

Miss Marie Madison of Beaumont and Miss Mary Russell of Orange made a trip to Houston yesterday, the guests of Mrs. A. D. Polmanakos.

Miss Nola Ellison of Waco, who accompanied her father to the Real Estate Men's convention, remained over to visit her friend, Miss Margaret Hunter.

Mrs. J. T. Marsh and family of Dawson, Texas, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Lizette Kirtrell, is visiting her brother, R. W. Kirtrell, at 1409 Hamilton street.

Miss Nellie Brockshire of Brookshire has been the guest of Miss Emma Heyne during the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival and will remain till after New Year's.

Colonel Andy Faulkner came in last night from his ranch and will spend today in Houston. Colonel Faulkner says he is sorry he arrived too late to witness the Flower Festival.

Mr. John M. Horger of Newton, Newton county, has been an attendant at the Masonic meetings the past week, and was a pleasant order at the editorial rooms of The Post yesterday.

R. A. Ragland, a prominent attorney of Sweetwater, accompanied by his wife and family, returned home last night. Mr. Ragland was a delegate to the Masonic Grand Lodge meeting.

Mrs. J. B. Claxide, wife of Editor and Proprietor Claxide of Claxide's Texas Stock and Farm Journal, is in the city attending the Flower Festival. Mrs. Claxide was a pleasant visitor to the editorial rooms of The Post yesterday.

Mr. D. A. Ragland, a well known attorney of Sweetwater, Texas, is in the city attending the meetings of the Grand Lodge. He is accompanied by his children, Miss Claxide and Master Oak Ragland, who made a pleasant visit to the editorial rooms of The Post yesterday.

A large number of visitors viewed the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival, Sunday, Dec. 10, at the Grand Hotel, Houston, Texas. The festival was held from 10 a. m. to 11 p. m.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Houston National Bank for the election of six directors to serve during the coming year will be held at the banking house between 10 and 11 a. m. and 1 p. m., Tuesday, January 19, 1899.

N. O. Shugart, Cashier.

Mrs. W. Fortman and Joseph Cleda, all of Victoria, and Mrs. E. Cleda, Miss Ida Cleda, Miss Olga Lenk and Mr. Herbert Tait of Houston.

Mr. H. V. Walker of Edna was in the city yesterday on his way home from Waco. Mr. Walker visited the Auditorium and expressed surprise and pleasure at the splendid exhibits there displayed. He thinks the exposition a credit to South Texas, and expressed a hope that it would result in a great annual midwinter fair at Houston.

Rev. A. S. Poindester of Tyler, Mr. T. W. McLeod and daughter of Alton, Mrs. A. M. Kotzsch of Moulton, Miss Willie Putney of Engle Lake and Miss Effie Mullin of Giddings were the guests of Mrs. Matt McLeod during the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival. Miss Mullin will remain several weeks.

The happiest man in Houston yesterday was Mr. Peter Louis De Mauche of Victoria, Texas. He carried off three first prizes at the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival for cigars, best work, and display. He came to represent his country at the festival and he did it in great style. He desires to thank the citizens of Houston for courtesies in the name of Victoria county.

Colonel T. F. Sevier, the editor of the Subliminal Sentinel, was in the city yesterday and paid The Post a pleasant visit. Colonel Sevier found in Houston several ex-students of the Southwestern university of Swann, Tennessee, who attended that institution when the colonel was one of the faculty. The meeting between the professor and his ex-charges was an enjoyable one.

## CITY BRIEVITIES.

There is an undelivered telegram at the Postal telegraph office for C. A. Epping.

The regular monthly meeting of the Biker Cholin society will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the orthodox synagogue on Preston avenue.

Rev. J. Lewis will preach in Brunner at 8 p. m. today. Dr. Wheeler will preach at Riverside mission. W. B. Phillips will preach at La Porte at 11 a. m.; also at 8 p. m.

Rev. James McBeaul of New Boston, Texas, is in the city attending the Masonic Grand Lodge and will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at Washington street Methodist church.

Flournoy Critterton Reems mission services are held during the week at 8 p. m. and on Sundays at 7:30 p. m. The open air meetings are held on Sundays on Market square at 4:30 p. m.

The Ladies' auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association will hold an important meeting in the association parlors at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. All members are urged to attend.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cohen died at an early hour yesterday morning. The funeral will take place this morning at 10 o'clock from the residence of Mr. James S. Fox, 2010 Preston avenue.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union telegraph office, 117 Main street, for H. R. Field, Lucius Harrison, J. M. Hamilton, John Tamborella, Manager West's Minstrels, A. M. Stevenson.

Next Sunday at high mass the Pastoral fathers, Robert and Bonaventura, will commence a mission at Sacred Heart church, corner of Flores avenue and San Jacinto street. It will continue the entire week and close on Christmas day.

The names of the following little girls who took part in the Baisden physical culture drill at the Auditorium Friday afternoon were inadvertently omitted: Mary Kimbrough, Elsie Landshere, Robert Hall, Virginia Colby, Ida Everett, Alice Baker.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Ora Gisham, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George W. Christian, to Dr. Woodson Newton Murphy on Wednesday evening, December 10, at Shearn Methodist church. Dr. and Mrs. Murphy will be at home, 2601 Congress avenue, Austin, Texas, after February 1.

Mr. Joe S. Yanborough, superintendent of Houston Charity and Relief association, has two babies in his charge that are in need of homes. One is a girl baby about four weeks old and the other a boy six weeks old. These are orphans, and either one or both will be given to any Christian family.

The little child of Mrs. Samuel Cohen, whose house on Preston avenue was burned on Thursday morning, has died from the shock and exposure incident to getting away from the fire, and Mrs. Cohen herself is still in a critical condition. The baby was but a day old at the time of the fire.

A search was made of the bayou yesterday between the city and Charon with the hope of recovering the body of Louis Zeman, the deck hand of the steam tug Sterrett, who is supposed to have fallen from a ledge and drowned on a trip down the bayou Thursday night. The body has not yet been recovered.

D. A. Trilon, 15 years of age, a well known contracting carpenter of this city, died Friday night at his home, 14 Preston avenue, and will be buried at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the German cemetery. All friends and acquaintances invited. The deceased had lived in Houston thirteen years and has a number of friends here.

Lucius W. Lomax, one of the colored employees in the sample room of the Fadden cotton agency of this city, died Wednesday of a tumor of the brain and was carried to Hempstead for burial. His remains were accompanied by Sam Wilson and Richard C. Brown, friends of the dead man. The deceased had worked in the cotton business for about twenty years and was well known in Houston, Brenham and Hempstead.

## Presbyterian Pastoral Pronouncements.

The general assembly of the Presbyterian church of the United States at its last meeting directed that a pastoral letter be prepared and sent to the several churches and pastors. This letter has been issued and published in the several church papers, and the pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will at this morning's service use it as the text for his discourse. This letter touches upon many vital points in the life and usefulness of the Presbyterian church and the pastor, Rev. William Haynes Leavell, D. D., urgently requests the attendance of all the members of that church and congregation at this morning's service. A cordial welcome will also be extended to all others who desire to attend.

## The Miniature Railroad.

Several days of last week the weather was too bad for the little folks to see the miniature railroad in the world that was in operation just near the Auditorium, and to give the little folks a chance to see and ride upon the miniature road it will be operated today.

If you are in need of a good watch or clock or a good shotgun, don't fail to call at Severe's Loan Office.

## STATIONERY.

Blank books, printing, lithographing, embossing, copper plate engraving, Charles & Co., Houston office, 217 Main street, Phone 774. P. D. McIntyre, resident agent.

A few solid gold watches and some fine diamonds (unredeemed) at a sacrifice, Severe's Loan Office.

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You may at all times feel confident of finding JUST what we advertise, both in quality and VALUE.

## HANDKERCHIEF SELLING.

From now until Xmas the Handkerchief department is going to be lively. We are preparing to show the grandest line in the city.

Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs.....5c  
Gents' Initial Handkerchiefs.....15c and 25c  
Gents' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.....25c and 50c  
Ladies' Embroidery Silk Handkerchiefs.....15c and 20c  
Gents' Plain Linen Handkerchiefs.....25c, 35c, 50c  
Ladies' Embroidery Handkerchiefs.....10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and up.

Full line of Handkerchiefs for CHILDREN put up one-half dozen in fancy box.

Don't fail to see our grand line of REAL LACE HANDKERCHIEFS.

## Special Offer of Gents' Fine Silk Umbrellas.

We closed out from the manufacturer 50 very fine silk Umbrellas, with beautiful handles, and if you have a present to make to one of your gentleman friends, why nothing would be so appropriate; the values of these Umbrellas are \$7.50 and \$8.00, choice tomorrow.... 4.50

## LADIES' EIDERDOWN DRESSING SACQUES.

Hundreds of these useful sacques have been sold at our store, and all are pleased with what we show. We have just received an additional lot and offer—

One style at 75c worth 1.25.  
One style at 98c worth 1.75.  
One style at 2.25 worth 3.50.

## DOLLS!

Have you seen the many lovely dolls we have on display? Positively a most interesting assortment and worthy of your attention.

Kid Body Dolls at 25c, 35c, 40c, 49c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 89c, 98c, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 3.00 and up.

Also a full line of Rubber and Crochet Dolls at 25c.

## TABLE LINEN SETS.

Something that will please a housekeeper for a Christmas present is pretty linens. We have a magnificent line to select from and would ask an inspection.

Linen Table Covers, Napkins to match, at 3.50, 3.98, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.50 and up.

Full line of Hemstitched Sets at 6.00, 6.50, 7.50 and 8.00.

Hemstitched Napkins at 4.00, 4.50 and 5.00 per dozen.

## Fancy Goods.

Comb and Brush Sets.....all prices  
Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, " "  
Fancy Mirrors....." "  
Picture Frames....." "  
Powder-puff Boxes....." "  
Picture Medallions....." "  
Cracker Jars....." "  
Handkerchief Cases....." "  
Glove Boxes....." "

In fact, we show hundreds of Pretty Novelties suitable for Holiday presents.

You can make your Holiday selections now and we will gladly put them aside to be delivered at your pleasure.

## Levy Bros.

411 and 413 Main Street.

THE BUSIEST STORE ON HOUSTON'S BUSIEST STREET.

IF YOU are at a loss for an idea as to what would be appropriate for a Christmas present, we would ask a visit to our establishment, where you will find hundreds of lovely articles, both useful and ornamental.

## SPECIALS TOMORROW

and as long as they last. Please call early.

15 pieces fancy plaid Dress Goods, proper for Children's dresses and Ladies' waists, 10c kind, per yard, only..... 4c

100 pieces dark patterns of Dress Prints, the BEST quality made, 10 yards for only..... 25c

10 dozen Ladies' fast black Hose, well made and worth 10c per pair, tomorrow 6 pairs for..... 25c

15 pieces solid color Eiderdowns, positively 45c value, tomorrow, per yard, only..... 25c

25 pieces fancy Worsted Dress Goods, some plaids in the lot are 25c values, tomorrow, per yard, only..... 10c

75 pieces two-faced solid color Outing Cloth, positively 10c value, tomorrow, per yard, only..... 5c

85 pieces extra fine quality plain and fancy weave Worsted Dress Goods; 45c, 50c and 60c kinds; tomorrow, per yard, only..... 25c

6 pieces extra fine quality black wool Crepons, just the thing for a handsome skirt or suit, real value \$1.15 and \$1.25 per yard, tomorrow only..... 75c

10 pieces beautiful quality Evening shades of Bengaline, 60c and 75c values, tomorrow, per yard, only..... 39c

Another lot of those fine quality Dressed Kid Gloves, new shades, \$1.00 value, tomorrow, per pair..... 52c

60 dozen Ladies' Knit Union Suits, positively 50c kind, tomorrow, per suit, only..... 25c

25 dozen Children's Canton Flannel Union Suits, all sizes, 40c value, tomorrow, per suit, only..... 20c

5 pieces full 72-inch wide bleached Table Damask, positively 75c kind, tomorrow only..... 50c

Three big bargains in CAPES, and we particularly ask you not to delay calling.

One lot black cloth Capes, trimmed in fur, 22 inches long, worth \$1.00, for..... 50c

One lot black cloth Double Capes, trimmed in braid, 22 inches long, worth \$1.50, for..... 75c

One lot plain plush Capes, 16 inches long, trimmed in fur, high collar, worth \$2.50, for..... 1.50

One lot Children's Reefer Jackets; ages 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years; nothing in the lot worth less than \$1.00; (No exchanges and none sent out on approval.) choice tomorrow..... 50c

12 very fine Ready-made Suits for Girls 12 years old, \$6.00 to \$8.00 values, choice tomorrow..... 2.50

20 very lovely black Jackets for Ladies, elegantly made, and the real value is \$4.50, tomorrow only..... 2.25

25 Ladies' fine black Crepon Skirts, full width and elegantly made, \$4.00 value, tomorrow..... 2.98

One lot Ladies' fine quality Sailor Hats, 50c and 75c kinds, tomorrow only..... 25c

## Big Sacrifice Sale of Ladies' Silk SHIRT WAISTS.

are ALL perfect goods. Some are PLAIN colors, some are CHECKED and some are black satin with seven fine tuks across front. Come early tomorrow and take your choice for only..... 3.98

Positively no exchanges and none sent out on approval.

## LEVY BROS.

We never misrepresent anything.

SHOP WITH US, because you have occasion to regret it. We misrepresent values, and never what we can't show.

## Furs, Capes and Jackets.

Do you want one? If so, you possibly find a more complete than that we are showing.

Fur Collars at 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00 and up.

Fur Capes at 4.50, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00 and up.

Plush Capes at 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 4.50 and up.

Velvet Capes at 15.00, 17.50, 20.00 and up.

Ladies' Jackets at 2.25, 4.00, 6.00 and up.

Children's Reefers at all prices.

Don't be misled by overstatements, but see us before you buy and you have no cause to regret it.

## MILLINERY

We have no old, unsalable styles to offer as bargains, but we can show in our parlors the very latest and most correct styles, at same prices others ask for outlandish effects. You know our reputation for selling the best and most stylish. Will you seek us? If so, you will be the gainer.

Ladies' Hats at 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50 and 5.00.

Children's Hats at 1.50, 1.75, 2.00 and 2.50.

## Our KID GLOVES.

Every lady should be most careful of the kind of kid gloves she buys. Every dry goods store sells kid gloves, but don't all sell good kid gloves. We don't sell anything but the BEST made kid gloves, and therefore ask your price. We stand firmly back of each we sell and will replace a perfect pair any that show defects, when not fault of the wearer.

Centemerie Kid Gloves, new shades at 1.75 and 2.25.

Trefousse Kid Gloves, new shades at 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75.

Foster, Paul & Co. Kid Gloves, new shades, at 1.00, 1.50, 2.00.

Mittens for the little ones at 10c, 15c and 25c.

Children's Kid Gloves at 1.00.

Boys' Woolen Gloves at 25c and 50c.

Boys' Kid Gloves at 50c, 75c, 1.00.

## Blankets and Quilts.

A good pair of Blankets or a good quilt would be acceptable for a gift. See our assortment. Nothing better offered, and at lowest prices.

Blankets at 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00 and 5.00.

Quilts at 75c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00.

## Ladies' and Children's Underwear.

You can find just what you need in the way of underwear and so why worry with broken pieces?

Ladies' Vests at 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 75c.

Children's Vests at 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 75c.

Drawers to match for girls and boys.

MAIL ORDERS have our press charges paid on all orders and over.